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8 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**

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DISTRICT OF NEVADA

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SUSAN BAKER, *et al.*,

11 Plaintiff,

12 v.

13 DEAN MEILING, *et al.*,

14 Defendant.

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J. Robert Smith, one of the attorneys for Defendants Dean Meiling, et al. (“Defendants”), respectfully requests pursuant to this Court’s local Rule of Practice IA 11-6 that the Court withdraw him as counsel in this matter. Mr. Smith is no longer associated with Holland & Hart, LLP and there remains other attorneys at Holland & Hart that continue to represent Defendants. Accordingly, he should be removed as attorney of record in this matter as well as be removed from the CM/ECF service list for this case.

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In support of this Motion, Defendants rely upon the memorandum of points and authorities as set forth below.

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MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES

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An attorney can only withdraw from a case with leave of court. *See* LR IA 11-6. Mr. Smith ended his association with Holland & Hart, LLP on February 26, 2021 and joined the law firm of Simons Hall Johnston P.C. Accordingly, he is no longer associated with this litigation.

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Should this Court grant this Motion, Mr. Smith’s withdrawal will not affect the

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Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals No. 20-17215

**MOTION TO WITHDRAW J. ROBERT
SMITH AS COUNSEL OF RECORD IN
THIS CASE**

1 proceedings. Defendants will continue to be represented by attorneys at Holland & Hart, LLP
2 including Messrs. Ryan, Lukas and Halen. Therefore, Mr. Smith's withdrawal from this case will
3 not be relied upon as a basis for delaying proceedings.

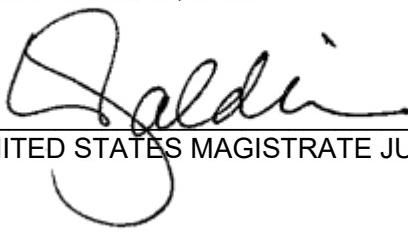
4 **Affirmation:** The undersigned does hereby affirm that the preceding document does not
5 contain the social security number of any person.

6 DATED this 12th day of March, 2021.
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8 By: /s/ J. Robert Smith
9 J. Robert Smith
10 Simons Hall Johnston PC

11 IT IS SO ORDERED.
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13 Dated: March 12, 2021
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16 UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Pursuant to NRCP 5(b), I certify that I am an employee of SIMONS HALL JOHNSTON PC, over 18 years of age, and that on this date I caused to be served a true copy of the foregoing

MOTION TO WITHDRAW J. ROBERT SMITH AS COUNSEL OF RECORD IN THIS CASE on all parties to this action by the method(s) indicated below:

X I hereby certify that on the date below, I electronically filed the foregoing with the Clerk of the Court by using the ECF system which served the following registered parties electronically:

Oliver J. Pancheri
Robert C. Ryan
Timothy A. Lukas
Grace M. Kim
Adam Hosmer-Henner
Marc Youssef Lazo
Joshua Michael Halen
Philip Mannelly

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Nevada that the foregoing is true and correct, and that this declaration was executed on March 12, 2021.

/s/ Kiley P. Rasmussen
An Employee of Simons Hall Johnston PC